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1. Deputy Neocosmos Gregoriades is reported to have visited Dr. Vasiliou (fnu) recently at his home in Nea Ionia (suburb of Athens) in order to discuss the coming municipal elections. Gregoriades urged Vasiliou to run on the Democratic Front ticket in Nea Ionia.
2. This meeting is said to have caused considerable commotion among the KKE members of Nea Ionia who regard Vasiliou as cowardly and incompetent because he signed a declaration denouncing the KKE immediately after his arrest in July 1947 and also because he refused to visit a sick fellow-prisoner while he was held in jail.
3. As a result of this, an individual named Michael (lmu), a retired gendarme who was secretary of the KOF of Nea Ionia in 1946, went to the office of the Party of Left Liberals in Athens to protest Gregoriades' action. Shortly thereafter Deputy Andreas Bikakis visited Michael and requested him to propose suitable candidates for the elections.
4. Candidates preferred by the KKE group in Nea Ionia, which is under Anestis Mastoris, are Pokaris, Drosopoulos and Zachariades (fnu). None of these persons is known as a KKE member by the police and consequently they are considered as suitable candidates.

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